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Order of Battle

31 January

1. A small part of the Communist 8 Column and the main force of the 9 Column, totalling about 10,000 men, are attacking Shihshanchan (121-29, 41-16) [See paragraph 18].

1 February

2. The 1, 2 and 3 Divisions of the Communist South 8 Column are attacking Liaoyang (123-12, 41-16) [See paragraph 15].

2 February

3. The 20 and 21 Divisions of the Communist 7 Column are 30 kilometers northwest of Liaoyang and are moving toward the city. The 6 Column is moving toward Linochung (122-44, 41-32) from the Paichipao (122-31, 41-52) area.

4. All Communist units: The 23 Division of the 8 Column is 15 kilometers southwest of Foushin (121-39, 42-03) [See paragraph 18], and the 22 and 24 Divisions of this column are west of the railroad in the area between Ihsien (121-15, 41-32) and Chinchou (121-07, 41-07). The 25 Division of the 9 Column occupied Panshan (122-02, 41-12) on 31 January. The 27 Division of the 9 Column is attacking Talingho (121-21, 41-11) after its capture of Shihshanchan. Talingho is defended by the Nationalist 184 Division, whose strength is over 5,000 troops.

5. General CHAO Chia-hsiang will head the Nationalist G-3 Section in addition to being chief of staff for WEI Li-huang. General HAO Chia-chun will be deputy chief of staff.

3 February

6. The main force of the Communist 7 Column is at a point about 10 kilometers west

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of Liaoyang with a small part of the 20 Division 1 kilometer west of the town [See paragraph 3]. The 1, 2 and 3 Divisions of the 8 Column are south of the town and part of the 1 and 2 Divisions are engaging the Nationalist Temporary 54 Division on the southern outskirts of the town. The Nationalist 52 Army and either the New 1 or the New 6 Army will reinforce Liaoyang. The 52 Army will move due south from Mukden with the other army to approach Liaoyang from the northeast [See paragraphs 10 and 13].

7. The Communist 9 Column captured Talingho on the afternoon of 2 February. The Nationalist 184 Division withdrew toward Chinchou.
8. The Nationalist New 2 and 92 Armies will move from Tientsin to Hulutao (121-01, 40-44) by ship; the first unit of the New 2 Army should arrive at Hulutao in the night of 3 February.
9. The Communist 6 Column is moving south from the Liaochung area.

5 February

10. All Nationalist units: One regiment of the New 2 Army arrived at Hulutao on schedule; the entire army is expected there by 10 February. One brigade of the 207 Division is halfway between Liaoyang and Yingpan (124-14, 41-55). The 2 Division of the 52 Army, pushing south from Mukden, reached Tahonan (123-20, 41-30) on its push to Liaoyang. Both of the last named units are moving cautiously for fear of a Communist flank attack. The New 1 Army is at Suchiatun (123-22, 41-43).
11. All Communist units: On 3 February the 4 and 5 Divisions of the 2 Column were at Saufangtai (122-57, 41-34). The 4 Column moved east from the Paichipao (122-31, 41-52) area; the 11 Brigade is east of Liaoyang; the 12 Brigade is north of the town; the 10 Brigade is at Taanping (123-26, 41-10). Liaoyang is being subjected to heavy artillery and mortar fire from the South 8 Column. The 6 Column is moving toward Liaoyang and 5,000 troops of the 25 Division, 9 Column, are moving toward the town from the Panshan area. The main force of the 1 Column is at Shentantu (123-06, 41-31). The 22 Division of the 2 Column is 15 kilometers northwest of Chinchou. The Independent 3 Division is between Talingho and Ihsien, and is moving in the direction of Ihsien. The 26 and 27 Divisions of the 9 Column are at Talingho. The 23 Division of the 8 Column are at Tayutun (121-26, 41-30). The 10 Column moved to Chiumen (120-31, 40-43) on 3 February. The 3 Column is in the vicinity of Takuchiatzu (122-59, 42-02).

6 February

12. The battle for Liaoyang has developed into a major campaign. The Nationalist Temporary 54 Division, which had a strength of about 4,000, is reduced to 2,500. The Nationalist Air Force will drop 2,000 pounds of light machine gun and 60 mm mortar ammunition to the 54 Division on the afternoon of 6 February.
13. The Nationalist units reported on their way to Liaoyang [See paragraphs 6 and 10] have not moved further because of the Communist strength north of the town. The Nationalist G-3 Section wished to commit the New 1 Army but General WEI Li-huang disagreed. Troops of the Communist 6 Column are attacking the Liaoyang railroad station. The 4 and 5 Divisions of the 2 Column are moving south from Saufangtai.
14. Four Nationalist temporary divisions have been dissolved to reinforce regular units. The Temporary 55 Division became the 79 Division after the defeat of the 79 Division at Yangchiachangtzu (120-31, 40-50). The Temporary 51 Division, which was badly beaten at Fouhsin in the sixth offensive, had its remaining regiment and a half assigned to the 26 Division and part to the Temporary 50 Division. The Temporary 57 and the Temporary 58 Divisions were dissolved to reinforce various Nationalist divisions. No replacements have been received by the Nationalists from the south since the beginning of December. 50,000 new recruits were to have been taken from the Mukden area in a period from December to the end of February, but so far only 25,000 have been drafted. Uniforms have been issued to them. There is a shortage of weapons, however. The intention is to send these men south and to receive in exchange the same number of armed recruits, following the policy of sending recruits away from home to prevent desertions. Possibly other tempo-

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rary divisions are to be dissolved to be used as replacements rather than local draftees.

15. General CHIANG Han-ching, former chief of the Nationalist G-3 Section under TU Yu-ming, and Colonels TENG Hsia-kuang and WANG, former assistants to CHIANG, will return to their positions in the G-3 Section next week at the request of CHAO Chia-hsiang.

7 February

16. The Communist 1 and 2 Divisions of the 8 Column and the 11 Brigade of the 4 Column now occupy Liaoyang. The Nationalists have lost contact with their Temporary 54 Division which was occupying the town. The present location of the Nationalist 2 Division which was enroute to Liaoyang is also unknown. A brigade of the Nationalist 207 Division is contacting 4 Column troops 20 kilometers northeast of Liaoyang (See paragraph 13).
17. The Nationalist G-2 Section believes that Panchihu (123-43, 41-20) will be the next objective of the Communist 4 and 8 Columns. A regiment of the Nationalist 207 Division garrisons Panchihu.
18. The following Nationalist units: The headquarters troops and a regiment of the 25 Division are at Anshan (122-57, 41-04); the remainder of the division is 10 kilometers south of Mukden.
19. On 4 February the 23 Division of the Communist 8 Column moved from southwest of Fousin to Koupangtzu (121-44, 41-21); the 24 Division of the column is at Peichen (121-44, 41-36).

8 February

20. The following Nationalist units: The new 1 Army moved west toward the Peiping-Mukden railway. The New 6 Army is moving toward Shihfessu (123 18, 42 10) from the Hushihai (123-30, 41-56) area. The New 3 Army is to be responsible for the area between Mukden and Haiyuan (124-05, 42-36).

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21. Mukden newspapers were not allowed to print the news of CHEN Cheng's departure on 5 February. [REDACTED] Note: Shanghai newspapers carried the story of CHEN's arrival at Nanking.)

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22. CHEN Yung-chung, director of the Northeast Central Communications Administration, left Mukden on 4 February for Nanking. He is to assume a post as the head of the Ministry of Communications during YU Te-wei's absence in the United States on a government mission. [REDACTED] Note: CHEN attempted to resign at the time HSIUNG Shih-hui was ordered out, but CHEN Cheng refused. It may be that CHEN is merely taking the opportunity to get out of Mukden.)

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CORRECTION

In paragraph 11 coordinates for Chiumen should be (123-19, 42-14) and not (120-31, 40-43).

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